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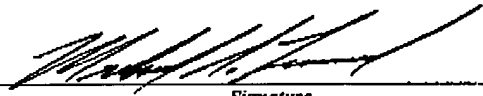
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Sir:

This Response is submitted with in response to the non-final Office Action mailed June 1, 2005. Applicants request amendment, reconsideration and allowance of the patent application.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call Applicants' Representative to discuss any issues with this application.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 3 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this Response.